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IAC AD-HOC SUB-COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION PROCESSING

Minutes of Thirty-third Meeting, 7 January 1957

Members Present:

AIR - Maj. Henry G. Sanders  
NAVY - Mrs. K.C. Young  
ACSI - Mr. Parmely C. Daniels  
STATE - Mr. Fred W. Shipman  
          Mr. Lewis M. Bright

NOTE - THESE MINUTES  
CONTAIN TEXT OF  
"THIRD AGENCY" RULE  
UNDER WHICH IAC  
AGENCIES NOW OPERATING

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CIA - [REDACTED]

Visitors:

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CIA - [REDACTED]

1. Minutes of the thirty-second meeting were approved.
- 25X1 2. The Chief of OCR's Industrial Register, [REDACTED] described the development and present programs concerning industrial plant intelligence in his Register.
- 25X1 3. The Chief of OCR's Machine Division, [REDACTED] demonstrated a pilot model of an ozalid film copy machine which is capable, in about 30 seconds time, of reproducing film copy from microfilm mounted in an aperture card or in reel form. The film reproduction can then be employed for all normal film purposes, particularly viewing and production of paper prints from film images.
- 25X1 In the discussion following, [REDACTED] indicated that OCR plans to install the above equipment in central film storage locations and to place viewer-printers (previously demonstrated to AEIP members) in a number of Branch Library and CIA office locations. Where practicable, OCR will then undertake to provide ozalid copy in lieu of full sets of document prints on a faster service schedule. It is hoped that the system will prove to have inter-agency service capabilities.

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4. [redacted] of OCR's Document Division was designated chairman of a new AHIP Working Group on Area Classification Coding. Proposed terms of reference for the group were distributed and discussed briefly. Suggestions for modification may be relayed via representatives to the new Working Group. Major Sanders asked that the reference to area coding for automatic dissemination purposes be treated as completely subordinate and incidental to the main objectives of the investigation.
5. The State Department representative, Mr. Shipman, inquired concerning the status of the AHIP agreement authorizing third agency reproduction of certain categories of intelligence documents. The Chair reported that he had been advised by the Secretary of the IAC that this, and similar agreements in the future, could be considered effective as of the date of AHIP action provided that agreement was unanimous. Reporting to the IAC is accomplished via AHIP minutes and AHIP annual reports.

In accordance with the above, the AHIP agreement concerning third agency reproduction of intelligence documents of 10 July 1956, as modified by the Department of State on 8 October 1956, is restated for the record:

Extract from Final Report of Working Group on Reproduction Needs of Advanced Equipment for Information Storage and Retrieval, dated 10 July 1956 subject: Minicard and the Application of the "Third Agency Rule".

"In order to handle intelligence reference data by Minicard and other machines and equipment of advanced design, the member Agencies of the Intelligence Advisory Committee are agreed among themselves that each of them may perform reproduction for themselves, or for each other, of foreign intelligence and intelligence information, originally issued by any of them, provided that in every case the document was originally given general distribution to all IAC member agencies, or originally was placed on a reading panel for all IAC member agencies to select from if they chose so to do.

In order to continue to safeguard all sensitive or other limited-dissemination material falling within the spirit of the "Third Agency Rule", the member agencies are agreed among themselves that such material will bear a special warning stamp which will exclude its reproduction into the Minicard or any other cooperative data handling system at all times."

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Added proviso covering reproduction of documents of the Department of State, AHIP-M-30, dated 8 October 1956, Subject: Authorization for IAC Agencies to Reproduce Certain State Department Documents.

- "1. That each IAC agency maintain a separate record of the SECRET documents and another of the documents of lower security classification which it reproduced for its own or for the use of the other IAC agencies. These records should not only identify the documents reproduced but should also specify the date and the number of copies reproduced and their distribution outside the reproducing agency.
2. That copies of these records be submitted for the information of the Department on a monthly basis."

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